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STABER et al.

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NETWORK INTERFACE DEVICE

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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed November 21, 2001, kindly reconsider the above-identified application in view of the following remarks.

**REMARKS**

Claims 1, 2, 5-8, 11-18 and 20 are pending in the application and stand rejected for the reasons stated below.